GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Servants – PR&RD Department – Irregularities in issuance of cheque for Rs.1,11,584/- to Sri K. Balakrishna Reddy instead of Sri K. Krishna Reddy, Contractor in Gudur PR Division, Nellore District - Disciplinary proceedings against Sri E. Narayana Rao, the then Executive Engineer, PR, Gudur, Nellore district – Imposition of penalty of withholding of two increments with cumulative effect – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG. I A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1860

<u>Dated:07-12-2010.</u> Read the following:

- 1. Govt. Memo No.1355/VS.I/2001-7, Dated:20.4.2002.
- 2. Representation from Sri E. Narayana Rao, EE, PR, dt.6.6.2002.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No.1260, PR&RD (Vs.I) Dept., Dated:29.8.2003.
- 4. From Sri B.P. Venkateswarlu, Member, COI & Enquiry Officer, Letter No.44/COI.M-BPV/2003, Dated:30.4.2004.
- 5. Govt. Memo No.1355/Vig.IA/2001-16, Dated:9.9.2005.
- 6. Representation from Sri E. Narayana Rao, EE, PR, dt. 16.11.2005.
- 7. Govt. Letter No.1355/Vig.IA/2001-27, Dt.24.8.2010.
- 8. From the Secretary, APPSC, Lr.No.1250/RT-I/1/2010, Dt. 13.10.2010.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the following charge was framed against Sri E. Narayana Rao, the then Executive Engineer, Gudur, Nellore district and now Executive Engineer, PRI, Machilipatnam:-

"That Sri Ethalapaka Narayana Rao, S/o. Madhava Rao joined in govt. service on 18.11.1982 as Asst. Executive Engineer in Panchayat Raj Department and rose to the present rank as Executive Engineer on his periodical promotions and while working as EE, Panchayat Raj, Gudur division, Nellore district from 24.1.99 to 30.11.2001, committed irregularities connived with A.E.E., Dy.E.E and D.A.O in issuance of cheque of Rs.1,11,584/- to Sri K. Balakrishna Reddy instead of Sri Kovur Krishna Reddy, Chairman, Education Committee and contractor of Attivaram Z.P. High School compound wall and swallowed the amount by forging signatures of the contractor and failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of Rule-3 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus Sri Ethalapaka Narayana Rao, EE, PR, Gudur Division, Nellore district by his above mentioned acts had exhibited lack of integrity, lack of devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Member of service and thereby contravened Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964."

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR has submitted his written statement of defence and after examining the same, in the reference 3rd read above Sri B.P. Venkateswarlu, Member, Commissionerate of Inquiries has been appointed as Enquiry Officer for conducting regular enquiry and the Superintending Engineer, PR, Nellore has been appointed as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Enquiry Officer on behalf of the disciplinary authority.

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- In the reference 4th read above, the Enquiry Officer has submitted his enquiry The Enguiry Officer held that the charge against Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR is not proved but observed that the lapse on the part of the Charged Officer in signing the cheques in the name of Sri K. Balakrishna Reddy instead of Sri K. Krishna Reddy, Contractor that too uncrossed, solely keeping confidence with the Divisional Accounts Officer in blind faith is established. Government after examination of the findings of the Enguiry Officer, have decided to disagree with the findings of the Enquiry Officer and to hold that the charges framed against Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR as proved. Accordingly, in the Memo 5th read above, a copy of the enquiry report along with the disagreement factors on the findings of the enquiry officer was communicated to Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR, directing them to submit their representations, if any on the findings of the Enguiry Officer along with the disagreement factors. In reply, Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR has submitted his representation. After examining the same, Government have decided to impose a penalty of withholding of two increments with cumulative effect on Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR in this matter. Accordingly, in the reference 7th read above, the concurrence of Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has been sought on the above punishment. In the reference 8th read above, the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has advised to impose the penalty of withholding of two increments without having any effect on the pension against Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PR.
- 4. Government, after careful examination of the entire matter, have decided to impose the penalty of withholding of two (2) increments with cumulative effect on Sri E. Narayana Rao, the then Executive Engineer, PR, Gudur and now Executive Engineer, PRI, Machilipatnam, in this matter.
- 5. Accordingly, Government hereby impose the penalty of withholding of two (2) increments with cumulative effect on Sri E. Narayana Rao, the then Executive Engineer, PR, Gudur and now Executive Engineer, PRI, Machilipatnam, in this matter.
- 6. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

M.V.P.C. SASTRY SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri E. Narayana Rao, Executive Engineer, PRI, Machilipatnam, along with copy of Lr.No. Lr.No.1250/RT-I/1/2010, Dt. 13.10.2010 of Secretary, APPSC, Hyderabad, through the Engineer-in-Chief (Panchayat Raj), Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief (PR), Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.

The Secretary to Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission.

The Secretary to Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, M.J. Road, Nampally, Hyderabad.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER